

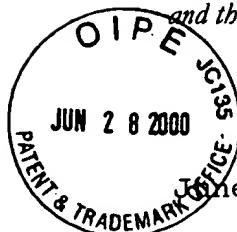
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For: HIGH EFFICIENCY LIGHTING SYSTEM  
Examiner: F. Fleming  
Group Art Unit: 2836  
Filed: March 17, 1997  
Office Action: January 27, 2000

Dear Sir:

Enclosed please find Amendment, Substitute Specification,  
Marked Up Substitute Specification, Exhibits, new drawing  
Figures 12-16 and copies of US patent nos. 5,500,561 and 5,786,642.

Applicant requests a two month extension from April 27, 2000 to  
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Enclosed please find Statement as to New Matter, which was inadvertently left out of the Express Mail package with the Amendment filed today.

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STATEMENT AS TO NEW MATTER

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In conjunction with the filing of the Amendment of today's date, Applicant's Attorney makes the following observations as to why the Claims do not constitute new matter.

The new material added to the specification in the substitute specification, as well as new drawing Figures 12-16, are both derived from either of Applicant's issued patent no. 5,500,561 or 5,786,642, which are the prior parent patent applications upon which the above application is based.

Proposed drawing Figures 12-16 are identical to selected drawing Figures either of Applicant's issued patent

no. 5,500,561 or 5,786,642, with the exception that the reference numerals.

Since the above noted application filed under serial no. 08/820,496 incorporated by reference all of the material in the two prior parent patent applications, none of the transferred inserted material constitutes new matter.

Concerning the Claims, Figure 10 of the present application shows compatible DC loads at the power junction box, as well as at the junction at diodes 50 and 52 of Figure 3 of the parent application now US patent no. 5,500,561 as well also at junctions J1 and J2 of Figure 4 and the junction at A of Figure 2 of the prior patent no. 5,786,642. Figure 2 therein shows various DC sources and connecting circuitry thereto, including the secondary power connecting circuitry of Claim 50.

Concerning the storage battery and the alternative DC power source being an optional source of providing DC, Figure 4 of US patent no. 5,786,642 discloses "other DC sources."

The photovoltaic connection of the Claims is shown in Figures 5, 6 and 10 of the present application.

The co-generator assisted power system of the Claims is shown in the discussion of Figure 11 of the specification herein.

The fact that the power source may be AC or DC and that the secondary source is any DC source is disclosed in Figure

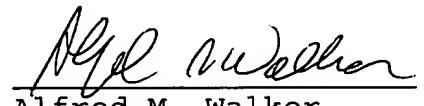
10 of the present application, as is the voltage regulation features of the Claims.

Furthermore, the inverter of the Claims is shown in Figure 2 of US patent no. 5,500,561 and Figure 3 of US patent no. 5,786,642.

Therefore, the substitute specification filed today supports the Claims without the addition of new matter.

Respectfully submitted,

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